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Mr. Lawrence Strickling, Chief
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CC Docket No. 98-147

Re: Remand of Advanced Services Order

Without waiver of, or prejudice to, any of its legal rights or positions, GTE states that until such time as the FCC completes its proceeding on remand from the D.C. Circuit's decision in GTE Service Corp. v. FCC, No. 99-1176 (March 17, 2000), or until January 1, 2001, whichever is earlier, GTE will not disturb pre-existing collocation arrangements (except under circumstances that would have been permitted under FCC rules) and will process collocation requests made prior to the court's ruling in accordance with past practices. GTE's stated intentions are conditioned on such practices not being deemed to be discriminatory or otherwise unlawful and on the Commission's agreement that such practices are not subject to section 252(i).

GTE will process collocation requests made after the court's ruling in accordance with applicable law.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (202) 463-5290.

Sincerely,

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